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IN THE DRAWINGS:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figure 1 and Figure 2.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

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REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated March 29, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on June 29, 2005. Please reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

In the specification, the paragraphs [0028] to [0035], [0037], [0039] to [0041], [0043] to [0045], [0047], [0054], [0056], [0061], [0062], [0071] and the Abstract have been amended to correct minor editorial problems.

The specification drawings and claims are objected to because of informalities. The specification, drawings and claims have been amended to correct the informalities identified by the Examiner. Applicant respectfully request withdrawal of the objections.

Claims 1-21 are pending in the application. Claims 2, 5-12, 17-20 and 22-26 remain pending following entry of this response. Claims 1, 3, 4, 13-16 and 21 have been cancelled. Claims 3, 4, 13, 15 and 16 have been rewritten in independent form, as new claims 22-26, respectively, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 7, 9 and 17-20 have been amended to independent form, including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 2, 5-6 and 10-12 have been amended to correct informalities and to depend from the new claims incorporating allowable subject matter. Applicant submits that the amendments and new claims do not introduce new matter.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

Claims 1, 2, 10-12, 14 and 21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,438,014 to *Funaba et al.* in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,209,074 to *Dell et al.*

In view of the allowable subject matter indicated by the Examiner, claims 1, 14 and 21 have been canceled to move the prosecution forward. Claims 2 and 10-12 have been amended to depend from newly added independent claims incorporating allowable subject matter. Applicant reserves the right to traverse this rejection on the merits in any continuation applications.

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Conclusion

The secondary references made of record are noted. However, it is believed that the secondary references are no more pertinent to the Applicant's disclosure than the primary references cited in the office action. Therefore, Applicant believes that a detailed discussion of the secondary references is not necessary for a full and complete response to this office action.

Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicant respectfully submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests that the claims be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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